

Paul Memorial Library
Newfields, New Hampshire
Board of Trustees Meeting
Tuesday May 5th, 2009

Present: Nancy Nightingale, Librarian; Peter Allen, Trustee; Kim Crisp, Trustee; Loren Hunt, Trustee; Jean Lebranch, guest

Peter Allen called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM

Board of trustees General Discussion:

The trustees discussed a number of concerns presented by Jean Lebranch and questions submitted to Peter by a patron of the library. The questions/concerns discussed included: replacement of the handicapped ramp, the leaking book drop, a new driveway, grounds maintenance, basement humidity and plans to expand and/or improve the library.

It was agreed that the library will join the Currier Art Museum.

Investigating the possibility of sharing the cost of museum passes is on going.

Librarian's Report:

- ❖ The library grounds were cleaned on April 24th, Community Action Day by three Phillips Exeter Academy students.
- ❖ Fire extinguishers were recharged on April 29th.
- ❖ The state library granted the library a \$150 grant towards Rosalita's puppets who will be entertaining at summer reading kick-off program. Nancy will look into a program for the end of the 5 week summer program.
- ❖ DVD's and videos will be loaned without renewals for one week at a time, with a limit of 3 per family.
- ❖ Children's books have been purchased with the \$100 donation from the Newfield's Garden Club. The remaining funds of \$55 will be spent on conservation and environment books for adults.
- ❖ Subscriptions for "Cooking Light" and "Runners' World" magazines have been donated by the FRIENDS.

Treasurer's Report:

- ❖ The audit of the library went smoothly.
- ❖ All of last years trust fund money from the town (where it is initially collected for the library) has been transferred to the library.
- ❖ The library had significant heating and utility savings due to more efficient use of utilities and selection of providers.

Building Maintenance:

- ❖ Repair of the drop off box continues to be a point of discussion.
- ❖ Compliance and standards for a new handicapped ramp will be investigated.
- ❖ Cost for paving the driveway and getting a new ramp will be looked into.

The meeting adjourned at 7:35 pm.

The next meeting of the Paul Memorial Library Board of Trustees will be Tuesday June 2nd 2009.